



## ***OFFICE OF WATER QUALITY***

### Section 205(j) Water Quality Management Planning Grants

**The Indiana Department of Environmental Management is seeking proposals for projects that provide effective solutions to point and nonpoint source water pollution.**

Section 205(j) funding is available for water quality management planning projects, focusing on watershed management planning, pollution prevention, and protection or restoration of critical ecosystems. Funds are to be used to determine the nature, extent and causes of point and nonpoint source pollution problems and to develop plans to resolve these problems.

This request is for Federal Fiscal Year 2002 funds, and selected projects will start in December of 2002. Eligibility for Section 205(j) funding is limited to governmental units, conservancy districts, or other public organizations. Competitive projects: have local leadership; strong public involvement and support; comprehensively address how to reduce the pollution source; and seek to demonstrate management practices or processes that are new to the area.

There are some restrictions to using 205(j) funds. They cannot be used to fund any of the following: dredging; drainage or flood control; permit fees; or compliance with NPDES permits or enforcement actions. Funds can be requested for up to \$100,000. No match is required for 205(j) projects. **Proposals must be postmarked by January 31, 2002.** You will be notified in May, if your proposal will be recommended for funding.

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